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#### **MAIN EXAMINATION - DECEMBER 2015**

COURSE NAME: GRAMMAR II - PHRASES AND CLAUSES

COURSE CODE : ENG 201

INSTRUCTIONS :

This question paper consists of four (4) questions

ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS IN TOTAL

**ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY OTHER QUESTION** 

Each question is worth thirty (30) marks)

Good English will attract credit

DURATION

: TWO HOURS

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## QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

Read the passage below and answer the question that follows.

Woman Throws <sup>1</sup>EPIC Tantrum In The Street After Being Dumped By Boyfriend

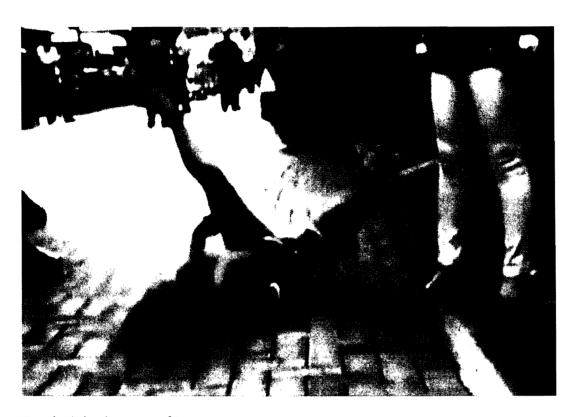


<sup>2</sup>Getting dumped is <sup>3</sup>never easy and the solution is usually to go out and get hideously drunk with your pals.

However, <sup>4</sup>the woman in these pictures made a very public statement about how she felt at losing her man.

Her meltdown <sup>5</sup>in the middle of a street in Hong Kong has everything - and, naturally, someone was <sup>6</sup>there <sup>7</sup>to film the whole thing.

<sup>8</sup>Screaming and shrieking as she lay down on the floor, concerned passers-by try <sup>9</sup>to get her up and console <sup>10</sup>her.



But she is having none of it.

Her epic screaming session turned into <sup>11</sup>an Olympic gym routine as she contorts and bends into the kind of shapes that would win a gold medal at any championship.

The 24-year-old, <sup>12</sup>who was apparently dumped by (harsh) text, <sup>13</sup>remained on the ground for 90 minutes, refusing to budge for anyone who tried to move her.





At one point she was walked off by onlookers but she simply fell back to the floor again, screaming, natch.

<sup>14</sup>When all other attempts failed, paramedics arrived and took her away on a stretcher.

Still, <sup>15</sup>if you dump someone by text, you can't expect the response to be pretty.

- a) With close reference to the passage above, state the nature of each the underlined phrases and clauses. (30 marks)
- b) Identify the function of each of the underlined noun phrases in the sentences below.
  - i) As an actor, Wallet had appeared in innumerable broadcasts.
    - Subject
    - Direct object
    - Adverbial
    - Subject complement
    - Prepositional complement
  - ii) <u>It was a humorous programme</u>, but sometimes it also managed to raise controversial issues.

it

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

### humorous programme

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

### humorous programme

- Subject
- Direct object

- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

## controversial issues

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement
- iii) That week's programme had a piece on the impossibility of avoiding any mention of the war.

## That week's programme

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

## the impossibility of avoiding any mention of the war.

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement
- iv) They were filming <u>The cash and the roses</u> at the time, and <u>their manager</u> had come down to <u>Manzini</u> with the script.

## The cash and the roses

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement

Prepositional complement

### their manager

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

### Manzini

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement
- v) His hands were so cold that <u>he</u> dropped <u>the script</u> several times
  - Subject
  - Direct object
  - Adverbial
  - Subject complement
  - Prepositional complement

### <u>he</u>

- Subject
- Direct object
- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

## the script

- Subject
- Direct object

- Adverbial
- Subject complement
- Prepositional complement

## **Question 2**

With the aid of two (2) examples per claim, discuss the differences between run-on sentences and comma splices showing how they can be identified and corrected in communication. [30 marks]

# **Question 3**

With the aid of examples, compare and contrast the adverb and adjective phrases (30 marks)

## **Question 4**

With the aid of examples discuss the auxiliary system in a verb phrase paying particular attention to how it differs from lexical/main verbs and its different realizations within verb phrases. (30 marks).